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SENATE BILL

No. 2025

Introduced by Committee on Business and Professions (Senators Figueroa (Chair), Johannessen, Machado, Morrow, Murray, O'Connell, and Polanco)

February 22, 2002

An act to amend Sections 473.15, 473.6, 805, 805.7, 2531, 2920, 2933, 4800, 4804.5, 4990.1, 4990.8, 5510, 5517, 5620, 5621, 5622, 6710, 6714, 7810, 7815.5, 8000, 8005, 8520, 8528, 18602, and 18613 and 8528 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

- SB 2025, as amended, Committee on Business and Professions. Professions and vocations.
- (1) Existing law provides for the professional review of specified healing arts licentiates through a peer review process. Existing law provides for a peer review study by the Medical Board of California which is required to contract with the Institute for Medical Quality for the study. The institute is required to submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to the Medical Board of California and to the Legislature by November 1, 2002.

This bill would extend the report due date to November 1, 2003.

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Under existing law, specified persons are required to file a report, designated as an "805 report," with the board if a peer review body takes one of several specified actions against a physician and surgeon licensed by that board. Existing law requires the board to establish a pilot program of early detection of potential quality problems and to report its findings on these matters to the Legislature before April 1, 2003.

This bill would change this reporting date to April 1, 2004.

Existing law requires designated persons to file an 805 report if a licentiate resigns, requests a leave of absence, or withdraws or abandons an application to obtain or renew staff privileges or membership after notice of an investigation or impending denial or rejection of the application.

This bill would instead require that the 805 report be filed if the licentiate takes any of those specified actions after notice of an impending investigation or denial or rejection of the application.

(2) Existing law provides for the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee, which is authorized to act until January 1, 2004. Existing law provides for, within the Board of Consumer Affairs, the existence of (a) the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board, which is repealed January 1, 2005, (b) the Board of Psychology, which is repealed January 1, 2006, (e) (b) the Veterinary Medical Board, which is repealed January 1, 2005, (d) (c) the Board of Behavioral Sciences, which is repealed January 1, 2006, (e) (d) the California Architects Board, which is repealed January 1, 2006, (f) (e) the Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, which is repealed January 1, 2005, $\frac{g}{f}$ (f) the Board for Geologists and Geophysicists, which is repealed on January 1, 2006, (h) (g) the Court Reporters' Board of California, which is repealed January 1, 2006, (i) and, (h) the Structural Pest Control Board, which is repealed January 1, 2006, and (i) the State Athletic Commission, which is repealed January 1, 2007. Existing law provides that these boards are subject to the review of the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee upon their repeal. Existing law also requires the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee to hold hearings during the interim recess of 2003 on the need to continue the existence of the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.

This bill would extend the repeal dates for the boards by one year. The bill would also extend the time by which the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee is required to hold hearings on the Osteopathic Medical Board of California to the interim recess of 2004.

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(3) The Osteopathic Medical Board of California is required to prepare an analysis and submit a report to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee on or before September 1, 2003.

The bill would extend the date by which the board is required to submit the report to September 1, 2004.

- (4) This bill would incorporate additional provisions to Section 473.15 of the Business and Professions Code, to take effect if both this bill and SB 1954 are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2003, and this bill is enacted last.
- (5) This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: ²/₃. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 473.15 of the Business and Professions 2 Code is amended to read:

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- 473.15. (a) The Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee established pursuant to Section 473 shall review the following boards established by initiative measures, as provided in this section:
- (1) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners established by an initiative measure approved by electors November 7, 1922.
- (2) The Osteopathic Medical Board of California established by an initiative measure approved June 2, 1913, and acts amendatory thereto approved by electors November 7, 1922.
- (b) The Osteopathic Medical Board of California shall prepare an analysis and submit a report as described in subdivisions (a) to (e), inclusive, of Section 473.2, to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee on or before September 1, 2004.
- (c) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall prepare an analysis and submit a report as described in subdivisions (a) to (e), inclusive, of Section 473.2, to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee on or before September 1, 2001.
- 20 (d) The Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee shall, 21 during the interim recess of 2004 for the Osteopathic Medical 22 Board of California, and during the interim recess of 2001 for the 23 State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, hold public hearings to 24 receive testimony from the Director of Consumer Affairs, the

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board involved, the public, and the regulated industry. In that hearing, each board shall be prepared to demonstrate a compelling 3 public need for the continued existence of the board or regulatory program, and that its licensing function is the least restrictive 5 regulation consistent with the public health, safety, and welfare.

- (e) The Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee shall evaluate and make determinations pursuant to Section 473.4 and shall report its findings and recommendations to the department as provided in Section 473.5.
- (f) In the exercise of its inherent power to make investigations and ascertain facts to formulate public policy and determine the necessity and expediency of contemplated legislation for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, it is the intent of the Legislature that the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the Osteopathic Medical Board of California be reviewed pursuant to this section.
- (g) It is not the intent of the Legislature in requiring a review under this section to amend the initiative measures that established the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners or the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.
- SEC. 1.5. Section 473.15 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 473.15. (a) The Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee established pursuant to Section 473 shall review the following boards established by initiative measures, as provided in this section:
- (1) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners established by an initiative measure approved by electors November 7, 1922.
- (2) The Osteopathic Medical Board of California established by an initiative measure approved June 2, 1913, and acts amendatory thereto approved by electors November 7, 1922.
- (b) The Osteopathic Medical Board of California shall prepare an analysis and submit a report as described in subdivisions (a) to (e), inclusive, of Section 473.2, to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee on or before September 1, 2003 2004.
- (c) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall prepare an analysis and submit a report as described in subdivisions (a) to (e), inclusive, of Section 473.2, to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee on or before September 1, 2001 2005.

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(d) The Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee shall, during the interim recess of 2003 2004 for the Osteopathic Medical Board of California, and during the interim recess of 2001 2005 for the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, hold public hearings to receive testimony from the Director of Consumer Affairs, the board involved, the public, and the regulated industry. In that hearing, each board shall be prepared to demonstrate a compelling public need for the continued existence of the board or regulatory program, and that its licensing function is the least restrictive regulation consistent with the public health, safety, and welfare.

- (e) The Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee shall evaluate and make determinations pursuant to Section 473.4 and shall report its findings and recommendations to the department as provided in Section 473.5.
- (f) In the exercise of its inherent power to make investigations and ascertain facts to formulate public policy and determine the necessity and expediency of contemplated legislation for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, it is the intent of the Legislature that the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the Osteopathic Medical Board of California be reviewed pursuant to this section.
- (g) It is not the intent of the Legislature in requiring a review under this section to amend the initiative measures that established the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners or the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.
- SEC. 2. Section 473.6 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 473.6. The chairpersons of the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature may refer to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee for review of any legislative issues or proposals to create new licensure or regulatory categories, increase licensing requirements, or create a new licensing board under the provisions of this code or pursuant to Chapter 1.5 (commencing with Section 9148) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- 35 SEC. 3. Section 805 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 37 805. (a) As used in this section, the following terms have the following definitions:
 - (1) "Peer review body" includes:

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 (A) A medical or professional staff of any health care facility or clinic licensed under Division 2 (commencing with Section 1200) of the Health and Safety Code or of a facility certified to participate in the federal Medicare program as an ambulatory surgical center.

- (B) A health care service plan registered under Chapter 2.2 (commencing with Section 1340) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code or a disability insurer that contracts with licentiates to provide services at alternative rates of payment pursuant to Section 10133 of the Insurance Code.
- (C) Any medical, psychological, marriage and family therapy, social work, dental, or podiatric professional society having as members at least 25 percent of the eligible licentiates in the area in which it functions (which must include at least one county), which is not organized for profit and which has been determined to be exempt from taxes pursuant to Section 23701 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (D) A committee organized by any entity consisting of or employing more than 25 licentiates of the same class that functions for the purpose of reviewing the quality of professional care provided by members or employees of that entity.
- (2) "Licentiate" means a physician and surgeon, podiatrist, clinical psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical social worker, or dentist. "Licentiate" also includes a person authorized to practice medicine pursuant to Section 2113.
- (3) "Agency" means the relevant state licensing agency having regulatory jurisdiction over the licentiates listed in paragraph (2).
- (4) "Staff privileges" means any arrangement under which a licentiate is allowed to practice in or provide care for patients in a health facility. Those arrangements shall include, but are not limited to, full staff privileges, active staff privileges, limited staff privileges, auxiliary staff privileges, provisional staff privileges, temporary staff privileges, courtesy staff privileges, locum tenens arrangements, and contractual arrangements to provide professional services, including, but not limited to, arrangements to provide outpatient services.
- 38 (5) "Denial or termination of staff privileges, membership, or employment" includes failure or refusal to renew a contract or to

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renew, extend, or reestablish any staff privileges, if the action is based on medical disciplinary cause or reason.

- (6) "Medical disciplinary cause or reason" means that aspect of a licentiate's competence or professional conduct that is reasonably likely to be detrimental to patient safety or to the delivery of patient care.
- (7) "805 report" means the written report required under subdivision (b).
- (b) The chief of staff of a medical or professional staff or other chief executive officer, medical director, or administrator of any peer review body and the chief executive officer or administrator of any licensed health care facility or clinic shall file an 805 report with the relevant agency within 15 days after the effective date of any of the following that occur as a result of an action of a peer review body:
- (1) A licentiate's application for staff privileges or membership is denied or rejected for a medical disciplinary cause or reason.
- (2) A licentiate's membership, staff privileges, or employment is terminated or revoked for a medical disciplinary cause or reason.
- (3) Restrictions are imposed, or voluntarily accepted, on staff privileges, membership, or employment for a cumulative total of 30 days or more for any 12-month period, for a medical disciplinary cause or reason.
- (c) The chief of staff of a medical or professional staff or other chief executive officer, medical director, or administrator of any peer review body and the chief executive officer or administrator of any licensed health care facility or clinic shall file an 805 report with the relevant agency within 15 days after any of the following occur after notice of either an impending investigation or the denial or rejection of the application for a medical disciplinary cause or reason:
- (1) Resignation or leave of absence from membership, staff, or employment.
- (2) The withdrawal or abandonment of a licentiate's application for staff privileges or membership.
- (3) The request for renewal of those privileges or membership is withdrawn or abandoned.
- 38 (d) For purposes of filing an 805 report, the signature of at least one of the individuals indicated in subdivision (b) or (c) on the

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completed form shall constitute compliance with the requirement to file the report.

- (e) An 805 report shall also be filed within 15 days following the imposition of summary suspension of staff privileges, membership, or employment, if the summary suspension remains in effect for a period in excess of 14 days.
- (f) A copy of the 805 report, and a notice advising the licentiate of his or her right to submit additional statements or other information pursuant to Section 800, shall be sent by the peer review body to the licentiate named in the report.

The information to be reported in an 805 report shall include the name and license number of the licentiate involved, a description of the facts and circumstances of the medical disciplinary cause or reason, and any other relevant information deemed appropriate by the reporter.

A supplemental report shall also be made within 30 days following the date the licentiate is deemed to have satisfied any terms, conditions, or sanctions imposed as disciplinary action by the reporting peer review body. In performing its dissemination functions required by Section 805.5, the agency shall include a copy of a supplemental report, if any, whenever it furnishes a copy of the original 805 report.

If another peer review body is required to file an 805 report, a health care service plan is not required to file a separate report with respect to action attributable to the same medical disciplinary cause or reason. If the Medical Board of California or a licensing agency of another state revokes or suspends, without a stay, the license of a physician, a peer review body is not required to file an 805 report when it takes an action as a result of the revocation or suspension.

(g) The reporting required by this section shall not act as a waiver of confidentiality of medical records and committee reports. The information reported or disclosed shall be kept confidential except as provided in subdivision (c) of Section 800 and Sections 803.1 and 2027, provided that a copy of the report containing the information required by this section may be disclosed as required by Section 805.5 with respect to reports received on or after January 1, 1976.

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(h) The Medical Board of California, the Osteopathic Medical Board of California, and the Dental Board of California shall disclose reports as required by Section 805.5.

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- (i) An 805 report shall be maintained by an agency for dissemination purposes for a period of three years after receipt.
- (j) No person shall incur any civil or criminal liability as the result of making any report required by this section.
- (k) A willful failure to file an 805 report by any person who is designated or otherwise required by law to file an 805 report is punishable by a fine not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) per violation. The fine may be imposed in any civil or administrative action or proceeding brought by or on behalf of any agency having regulatory jurisdiction over the person regarding whom the report was or should have been filed. If the person who is designated or otherwise required to file an 805 report is a licensed physician and surgeon, the action or proceeding shall be brought by the Medical Board of California. The fine shall be paid to that agency but not expended until appropriated by the Legislature. A violation of this subdivision may constitute unprofessional conduct by the licentiate. A person who is alleged to have violated this subdivision may assert any defense available at law. As used in this subdivision, "willful" means a voluntary and intentional violation of a known legal duty.
- (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (k), any failure by the administrator of any peer review body, the chief executive officer or administrator of any health care facility, or any person who is designated or otherwise required by law to file an 805 report, shall be punishable by a fine that under no circumstances shall exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per violation. The fine may be imposed in any civil or administrative action or proceeding brought by or on behalf of any agency having regulatory jurisdiction over the person regarding whom the report was or should have been filed. If the person who is designated or otherwise required to file an 805 report is a licensed physician and surgeon, the action or proceeding shall be brought by the Medical Board of California. The fine shall be paid to that agency but not expended until appropriated by the Legislature. The amount of the fine imposed, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per violation, shall be proportional to the severity of the failure to report and shall differ based upon written findings, including

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whether the failure to file caused harm to a patient or created a risk to patient safety; whether the administrator of any peer review body, the chief executive officer or administrator of any health care facility, or any person who is designated or otherwise required by law to file an 805 report exercised due diligence despite the failure to file or whether they knew or should have known that an 805 report would not be filed; and whether there has been a prior failure to file an 805 report. The amount of the fine imposed may also differ based on whether a health care facility is a small or rural hospital as defined in Section 124840 of the Health and Safety Code.

- (m) A health care service plan registered under Chapter 2.2 (commencing with Section 1340) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code or a disability insurer that negotiates and enters into a contract with licentiates to provide services at alternative rates of payment pursuant to Section 10133 of the Insurance Code, when determining participation with the plan or insurer, shall evaluate, on a case-by-case basis, licentiates who are the subject of an 805 report, and not automatically exclude or deselect these licentiates.
- SEC. 4. Section 805.7 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 805.7. (a) The Medical Board of California shall work with interested parties in the pursuit and establishment of a pilot program, similar to those proposed by the Citizens Advocacy Center, of early detection of potential quality problems and resolutions through informal educational interventions.
- (b) The Medical Board of California shall report to the Legislature its evaluation and findings and shall include recommendations regarding the statewide implementation of this pilot program before April 1, 2004.
- SEC. 5. Section 2531 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 2531. There is hereby created a Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board under the jurisdiction of the Medical Board of California. The Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board shall consist of nine members, three of whom shall be public members. The Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board shall enforce and administer this chapter.

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This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes effective on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the inoperative and repeal dates.

 SEC. 6. Section 2920 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2920. The Board of Psychology shall enforce and administer this chapter. The board shall consist of nine members, four of whom shall be public members.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 7. Section 2933 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2933. Except as provided by Section 159.5, the board shall employ and shall make available to the board within the limits of the funds received by the board all personnel necessary to carry out this chapter. The board may employ, exempt from the State Civil Service Act, an executive officer to the Board of Psychology. The board shall make all expenditures to carry out this chapter. The board may accept contributions to effectuate the purposes of this chapter.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 8. Section 4800 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4800. There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a Veterinary Medical Board in which the administration of this chapter is vested. The board consists of seven members, three of whom shall be public members.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review provided for by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473).

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1 SEC. 9. Section 4804.5 of the Business and Professions Code 2 is amended to read:

4804.5. The board may appoint a person exempt from civil service who shall be designated as an executive officer and who shall exercise the powers and perform the duties delegated by the board and vested in him or her by this chapter.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 10. Section 4990.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4990.1. There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a Board of Behavioral Sciences which consists of 11 members.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 11. Section 4990.8 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4990.8. The executive officer shall exercise the powers and perform the duties delegated by the board and vested in him or her by this chapter.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 12. Section 5510 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

5510. There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a California Architects Board which consists of 10 members.

Any reference in law to the California Board of Architectural Examiners shall mean the California Architects Board.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,

36 which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or

37 extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

38 The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review

required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473).

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SEC. 13. Section 5517 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

5517. The board may appoint a person exempt from civil service who shall be designated as an executive officer and who shall exercise the powers and perform the duties delegated by the board and vested in him or her by this chapter.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 14. Section 5620 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

5620. The duties, powers, purposes, responsibilities, and jurisdiction of the California State Board of Landscape Architects that were succeeded to and vested with the Department of Consumer Affairs in accordance with Chapter 908 of the Statutes of 1994 are hereby transferred to the California Architects Board. The Legislature finds that the purpose for the transfer of power is to promote and enhance the efficiency of state government and that assumption of the powers and duties by the California Architects Board shall not be viewed or construed as a precedent for the establishment of state regulation over a profession or vocation that was not previously regulated by a board, as defined in Section 477.

(a) There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a California Architects Board as defined in Article 2 (commencing with Section 5510) of Chapter 3.

Whenever in this chapter "board" is used it refers to the California Architects Board.

- (b) Except as provided herein, the board may delegate its authority under this chapter to the Landscape Architect Technical Committee.
- (c) After review of proposed regulations, the board may direct the examining committee to notice and conduct hearings to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations pursuant to Section 5630, provided that the board itself shall take final action to adopt, amend, or repeal those regulations.
- (d) The board shall not delegate its authority to discipline a landscape architect or to take action against a person who has violated this chapter.

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is amended to read:

 (e) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. SEC. 15. Section 5621 of the Business and Professions Code

- 5621. (a) There is hereby created within the jurisdiction of the board, a Landscape Architects Technical Committee, hereinafter referred to in this chapter as the landscape architects committee.
- (b) The landscape architects committee shall consist of five members who shall be licensed to practice landscape architecture in this state. The Governor shall appoint three of the members. The Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint one member each.
- (c) The initial members to be appointed by the Governor are as follows: one member for a term of one year; one member for a term of two years; and one member for a term of three years. The Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly shall initially each appoint one member for a term of four years. Thereafter, appointments shall be made for four-year terms, expiring on June 1 of the fourth year and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor or until one year shall have elapsed whichever first occurs. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term.
- (d) No person shall serve as a member of the landscape architects committee for more than two consecutive terms.
- (e) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.
- SEC. 16. Section 5622 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 5622. (a) The landscape architects committee may assist the board in the examination of candidates for a landscape architect's license and, after investigation, evaluate and make recommendations regarding potential violations of this chapter.
- (b) The landscape architects committee may investigate, assist, and make recommendations to the board regarding the regulation of landscape architects in this state.

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(c) The landscape architects committee may perform duties and functions that have been delegated to it by the board pursuant to Section 5620.

- (d) The landscape architects committee may send a representative to all meetings of the full board to report on the committee's activities.
- (e) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.
- SEC. 17. Section 6710 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 6710. (a) There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, which consists of 13 members.
- (b) Any reference in any law or regulation to the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors is deemed to refer to the Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.
- (c) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes effective on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473). However, the review of the board shall be limited to only those unresolved issues identified by the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee.
- SEC. 18. Section 6714 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
 - 6714. The board shall appoint an executive officer at a salary to be fixed and determined by the board with the approval of the Director of Finance.
 - This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2005, and, as of January 1, 2006, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes effective on or before January 1, 2006, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.
- 38 SEC. 19. Section 7810 of the Business and Professions Code 39 is amended to read:

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 7810. The Board for Geologists and Geophysicists is within the department and is subject to the jurisdiction of the department. Except as provided in this section, the board shall consist of eight members, five of whom shall be public members, two of whom shall be geologists, and one of whom shall be a geophysicist.

Each member shall hold office until the appointment and qualification of the member's successor or until one year has elapsed from the expiration of the term for which the member was appointed, whichever occurs first. Vacancies occurring prior to the expiration of the term shall be filled by appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Each appointment shall be for a four-year term expiring June 1 of the fourth year following the year in which the previous term expired. No person shall serve as a member of the board for more than two consecutive terms.

The Governor shall appoint three of the public members and the three members qualified as provided in Section 7811. The Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly shall each appoint a public member, and their initial appointment shall be made to fill, respectively, the first and second public member vacancies that occurred on or after January 1, 1983.

At the time the first vacancy is created by the expiration of the term of a public member appointed by the Governor, the board shall be reduced to consist of seven members, four of whom shall be public members, two of whom shall be geologists, and one of whom shall be a geophysicist. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the term of that member shall not be extended for any reason, except as provided in this section.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473).

SEC. 20. Section 7815.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7815.5. The board may appoint a person exempt from civil service who shall be designated as an executive officer and who shall exercise the powers and perform the duties delegated by the board and vested in him or her by this chapter.

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This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. SEC. 21. Section 8000 of the Business and Professions Code

 is amended to read:

8000. There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a Court Reporters Board of California, which consists of five members, three of whom shall be public members and two of whom shall be holders of certificates issued under this chapter who have been actively engaged as shorthand reporters within this state for at least five years immediately preceding their appointment.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473), except that the review shall be limited to only those unresolved issues identified by the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee.

SEC. 22. Section 8005 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

8005. The Court Reporters Board of California is charged with the executive functions necessary for effectuating the purposes of this chapter. It may appoint committees as it deems necessary or proper. The board may appoint, prescribe the duties, and fix the salary of an executive officer. Except as provided by Section 159.5, the board may also employ other employees as may be necessary, subject to civil service and other provisions of law.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473), except that the review shall be limited to the board's examination program.

38 SEC. 23. Section 8520 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

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 8520. (a) There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a Structural Pest Control Board, which consists of seven members.

- (b) Subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the director by Division 1 (commencing with Section 100) of this code, the board is vested with the power to and shall administer the provisions of this chapter.
- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature that consumer protection is the primary mission of the board.
- (d) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473).
- SEC. 24. Section 8528 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 8528. With the approval of the director, the board shall appoint a registrar, fix his or her compensation and prescribe his or her duties.
- The registrar is the executive officer and secretary of the board. This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.
- SEC. 25. Section 18602 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:
- 18602. Except as provided in this section, there is in the Department of Consumer Affairs the State Athletic Commission, which consists of eight members. Six members shall be appointed by the Governor, one member shall be appointed by the Senate Rules Committee, and one member shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.
- The members of the commission appointed by the Governor are subject to confirmation by the Senate pursuant to Section 1322 of the Government Code.
- No person who is licensed under this chapter as a promoter, manager, or judge may be appointed or reappointed to, or serve on, the commission.
- Upon the first expiration of the term of a member appointed by the Governor, the commission shall be reduced to seven members.

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Notwithstanding any provision of law, the term of that member shall not be extended for any reason.

 This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes operative on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this section renders the commission subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473).

SEC. 26. Section 18613 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

18613. The commission shall appoint an executive officer and fix his or her compensation. The executive officer shall carry out the duties prescribed by this chapter and additional duties as may be delegated by the commission. The commission may employ in accordance with Section 154 other personnel as may be necessary for the administration of this chapter.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2006, and, as of January 1, 2007, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. SEC. 27.

SEC. 25. Section 1.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 473.15 of the Business and Professions Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1954. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2003, (2) each bill amends Section 473.15 of the Business and Professions Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1954, in which case Section 1 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 26. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

To alter the necessary criteria for the requirement of certain reports regarding healing arts licentiates as soon as possible, to authorize the Medical Board of California to expend moneys for implementation of an impending peer review process and to ensure that the exemption from certain reporting requirements for participants in the pilot program for detection of potential quality problems go into effect before the implementation of the program, to extend the Court Reporters Board deadlines for reporting to the

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1 Legislature and for authorization to examine, evaluate, and

- 2 investigate complaints prior to passage of those deadlines, to
- 3 enable the Occupational Therapy Board to properly administer the
- 4 licensing law and protect the public from incompetent licensed
- 5 occupational therapists as soon as possible, and to extend by one
- 6 year the Legislature's sunset review process over specified
- 7 licensing agencies in order to immediately delay the
- 8 commencement of the legislative review process, it is necessary
- 9 that this act go into effect immediately.